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MEMBER / OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

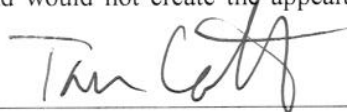
This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must **complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, B-106 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Thomas Cotton
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: _____ or None ☒
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: August 10, 2013 Return: August 18, 2013
b. Dates at personal expense: _____ or None ☒
4. Departure city: Washington, DC Destination: Israel Return city: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation
6. Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): Please see attached itinerary
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (*signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*):
 - a. ☒ a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
 - b. ☒ the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
 - c. ☒ page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the Member or officer; *and*
 - d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda. (*Signify that statement is true by checking box*): ☒
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER:



DATE: _____

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. *A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.* You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
2. Travel Destination(s): Israel
3. Date of Departure: August 10, 2013 Date of Return: August 18, 2013
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Rep. Tom Cotton
(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)
5. Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	5596.78	2482.00	1039.96	1465.52
Accompanying Relative	/	/	/	/

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: [Signature]
Name: Richard Fishman Title: Executive Director
Organization: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

Address: 251 H Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

Telephone number: (202) 639-5233

Email Address: rfishman@aiefdn.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
Educational Seminar in Israel
U.S. Republican Members of Congress
August 10-18, 2013

Breakdown of Other Expenses

Security: \$321.62 per person

-AIEF considers the security of its trip participants as its highest priority. A security team accompanies all participants throughout the trip.

Room Rentals: \$267.07 per person

-The cost of renting rooms at hotels and restaurants for meetings and meals with speakers.

Tour Guide/Driver/Speaker Hotels and Meals: \$227.44 per person

Speaker Fees: \$147.48 per person

-Honoraria for guest speakers

Tour Guide: \$142.83 per person

-As a detailed historical understanding is crucial to maximizing the educational aspect of the trip, a licensed tour guide accompanies the group throughout the trip.

Entrance Fees: \$80.83 per person

-Several sites require an entrance fee, including the southern Western Wall excavations and the holy sites around the Sea of Galilee.

Tips: \$45.57 per person

-It is customary to tip the driver and tour guide that accompany trip participants.

Photography: \$27.40 per person

-Professional photos are taken at meetings with dignitaries, including the Prime Minister and President

Other: \$205.28 per person

-Water, snacks

-Briefing materials

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Thomas Cotton
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation
3. Travel destination(s): Israel
4. a. Date of departure August 10, 2013 Date of return: August 18, 2013
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No
b. If yes:
(1) Name of accompanying relative: _____
(2) Relationship to traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (*i.e.*, travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: ☒ Yes ☐ No
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
As a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee the trip will
provide me with first hand experience and education so that I can more
fully understand the US-Israel relationship.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**10. FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:
TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:**

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: _____

Signature of Employing Member

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): _____
American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒
3. Check only one: I represent that:
 - a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip ☒ or
 - b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds ☐ or
 - c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities. ☐If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):
Please see attached
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. Date of departure: August 10, 2013 Date of return: August 18, 2013
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC
b. Destination(s): Tel Aviv
c. City of return: Washington, DC
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: ☐ or
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: ☒ or
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations. ☐
9. Check one of the following:
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above: ☒
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging: ☐
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: ☐ or
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights: ☐If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: _____

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (indicate agenda is attached by checking box): ☒
11. Check one:
 a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒ or
 b. N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education. ☐
12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
AIEF is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization with the fundamental purpose of educating policy makers and opinion leaders about the U.S.-Israel relationship. AIEF is solely responsible for recruiting, coordinating, executing and funding all aspects of the trip.

13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.
 a. Mode of travel: Air ☒ Rail ☐ Bus ☐ Car ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: _____)
 b. Class of travel: Coach ☐ Business ☒ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: _____)
 c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒
15. I represent that either (check one of the following):
 a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: ☐ or
 b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation: ☒
 If "b" is checked:
 1) Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
\$129 per day
 2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
The trip will take place in Israel in order to educate members of Congress and Congressional staff about the U.S.-Israel relationship.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
 Hotel name: King David Hotel City: Jerusalem Cost per night: \$388s/\$412d
 Reason(s) for selecting: location and affordability
 Hotel name: Galei Kinneret City: Tiberias Cost per night: \$348s/\$410d
 Reason(s) for selecting: location and affordability
 Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____
 Reason(s) for selecting: _____

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17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$5,880.40	\$2,482	\$900
For each accompanying relative			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$1,766.32	Please see attached
For each accompanying relative		

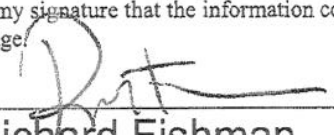
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19. Check one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. ☒ or
b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education. ☐

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip. ☒

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name: Richard Fishman

Title: Executive Director

Organization: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)

Address: 251 H Street NW, Washington DC, 20001

Telephone number: (202) 639-5233

Email address: rfishman@aiefdn.org

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

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U.S. House of Representatives
1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-7103 (phone)
(202) 225-7392 (general fax)

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July 17, 2013

The Honorable Thomas B. Cotton
U.S. House of Representatives
415 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Israel scheduled for August 10 to 18, 2013, sponsored by the American Israel Education Foundation.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$350 from a single source on Schedule VII of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement.

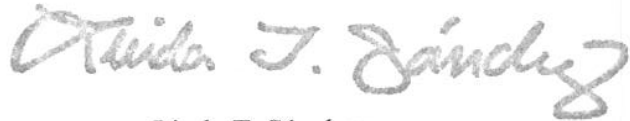
Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act, gifts "of minimal value [currently \$350] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of \$350 received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

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K. Michael Conaway
Chairman

Handwritten signature of Linda T. Sanchez in cursive script.

Linda T. Sánchez
Ranking Member

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**American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
Educational Seminar in Israel
U.S. Republican Members of Congress
August 10-18, 2013**

Breakdown of Other Expenses

Security: \$500 per person

-AIEF considers the security of its trip participants as its highest priority. A security team accompanies all participants throughout the trip.

Room Rentals: \$266.67 per person

-The cost of renting rooms at hotels and restaurants for meetings and meals with speakers.

Tour Guide/Driver/Speaker Hotels and Meals: \$226.67 per person

Tour Guide: \$174.17 per person

-As a detailed historical understanding is crucial to maximizing the educational aspect of the seminar, a licensed tour guide accompanies the group throughout the trip.

Briefing Materials and misc: \$166.67 per person

Speaker Fees: \$116.67 per person

-Honoraria for guest speakers

Tips: \$107.14 per person

-It is customary to tip the driver and tour guide that accompany trip participants.

Entrance Fees: \$85.71 per person

-Several sites require an entrance fee, including the southern Western Wall excavations and the holy sites around the Sea of Galilee.

Water and snacks: \$64.29 per person

Photographer: \$58.33 per person

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Invitees

TITLE	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	P	ST	D
Representative	Mark	Amodei	R	NV	2
Representative	Lou	Barletta	R	PA	11
Representative	Kerry	Bentivolio	R	MI	11
Representative	Jim	Bridenstine	R	OK	1
Representative	Susan	Brooks	R	IN	5
Majority Leader	Eric	Cantor	R	VA	7
Representative	Steve	Chabot	R	OH	1
Representative	Chris	Collins	R	NY	27
Representative	Paul	Cook	R	CA	8
Representative	Tom	Cotton	R	AR	4
Representative	Kevin	Cramer	R	ND	AL
Representative	Rick	Crawford	R	AR	1
Representative	Steve	Daines	R	MT	AL
Representative	Rodney	Davis	R	IL	13
Representative	Ron	DeSantis	R	FL	6
Representative	Sean	Duffy	R	WI	7
Representative	Bob	Gibbs	R	OH	7
Representative	Chris	Gibson	R	NY	19
Representative	Trey	Gowdy	R	SC	4
Representative	Timothy	Griffin	R	AR	2
Representative	Morgan	Griffith	R	VA	9
Representative	Jaime	Herrera Beutler	R	WA	3
Representative	George	Holding	R	NC	13
Representative	Richard	Hudson	R	NC	8
Representative	Tim	Huelskamp	R	KS	1
Representative	Bill	Huizenga	R	MI	2
Representative	Randy	Hultgren	R	IL	14
Representative	Bill	Johnson	R	OH	6
Representative	David	Joyce	R	OH	14
Representative	Raul	Labrador	R	ID	1
Representative	Doug	LaMalfa	R	CA	1
Representative	Thomas	Massie	R	KY	4
Majority Whip	Kevin	McCarthy	R	CA	23

Representative	Luke	Messer	R	IN	6
Representative	Mick	Mulvaney	R	SC	5
Representative	Kristi	Noem	R	SD	AL
Representative	Alan	Nunnelee	R	MS	1
Representative	Steve	Pearce	R	NM	2
Representative	Scott	Perry	R	PA	4
Representative	Robert	Pittenger	R	NC	9
Representative	Trey	Radel	R	FL	19
Representative	Tom	Rice	R	SC	7
Representative	Scott	Rigell	R	VA	2
Representative	Martha	Roby	R	AL	2
Representative	Todd	Rokita	R	IN	4
Representative	Mark	Sanford	R	SC	1
Representative	Jason	Smith	R	MO	8
Representative	Chris	Stewart	R	UT	2
Representative	Steve	Stivers	R	OH	15
Representative	Steve	Stockman	R	TX	36
Representative	David	Valadao	R	CA	21
Representative	Ann	Wagner	R	MO	2
Representative	Jackie	Walorski	R	IN	2
Representative	Randy	Weber	R	TX	14
Representative	Daniel	Webster	R	FL	10
Representative	Roger	Williams	R	TX	25
Representative	Ted	Yoho	R	FL	3
Representative	Todd	Young	R	IN	9
Chief of Staff, Majority Leader Cantor	Kristi	Way	R	VA	7
Senior Policy Advisor, Majority Leader Cantor	Robert	Karem	R	VA	7
Communications Director, Majority Leader Cantor	Rory	Cooper	R	VA	7
Director of Member Services, Majority Whip McCarthy	Natalie	Buchanan	R	CA	23

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Educational Seminar in Israel
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Itinerary

Saturday, August 10, 2013

Afternoon Members of Congress travel to JFK or Newark from various cities

10:45 PM United flight to Tel Aviv departs from Newark

11:40 PM Delta flight to Tel Aviv departs from JFK

Sunday, August 11, 2013

4:20 PM United flight arrives in Tel Aviv

5:10 PM Delta flight arrives in Tel Aviv
Transfer to Jerusalem
Check in to the King David Hotel

7:30 PM *Setting the Stage*
Orientation and Political Update
- at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall

8:45 PM *The Pulse of Israel Today*
Dinner with David Horowitz
Editor, *The Times of Israel*
- at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall

10:15 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

Monday, August 12, 2013

7:00 AM Breakfast on own
- at the hotel, Main Terrace

8:00 AM *Strategic Survey of Jerusalem*
Part One: The Old City and the Holy Basin

- City of David and Tunnel
- Southern Wall Excavations
- The Western Wall
- Church of the Holy Sepulchre

12:30 PM	<i>The Future of Jerusalem</i> Lunch with Dr. Dore Gold President, Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs - at Angelica
2:00 PM	Depart for Bethlehem
2:30 PM	Visit to Bethlehem <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church of the Nativity • Manger Square • Milk Grotto
4:30 PM	<i>Strategic Survey of Jerusalem</i> Part Two: Outlying Neighborhoods
5:30 PM	Depart for hotel
7:30 PM	Depart for dinner
7:45 PM	<i>The Peace Talks</i> Dinner with Isaac Molcho Senior Advisor to the Prime Minister - at 28 King David Restaurant
9:15 PM	Overnight at the King David Hotel

Tuesday, August 13, 2013

7:00 AM	Breakfast is served - at the hotel, Jaffa Hall
7:45 AM	<i>Welcoming Remarks</i> The Hon. Nir Barkat Mayor of Jerusalem - at the hotel, Jaffa Hall
8:30 AM	<i>Neighborhood Overview: Strategic Threat Assessment</i> Meeting with Maj.-Gen. (Ret.) Amos Yadlin Head, Institute for National Security Studies Former Head, IDF Intelligence - at the hotel, Jaffa Hall
9:45 AM	Meeting ends
10:00 AM	Depart hotel

- 11:00 AM Reception with the Honorable Shimon Peres
President of Israel
- Special address by the President
 - Response by Mr. Cantor
- at the President's Residence
- 12:15 PM Depart
- 12:45 PM Lunch
- at Imma's
- 1:45 PM Depart
- 2:00 PM *Remembering the Victims of the Holocaust*
Guided tour of Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial Museum
- 4:00 PM Depart for hotel
- 7:00 PM Depart for dinner
- 7:30 PM *The Israeli Mosaic*
Dinner with Israelis from different walks of life
- Yariv Bash, SpacEL
 - Karen Brunwasser, JSOC
 - Barak Cohen, Israel Museum
 - Meir Handelsman, Yad Sarah
 - Hillel Neuer, UN Watch
 - Jay and Shira Ruderman, The Ruderman Family Foundation
 - Kalman Samuels, SHALVA
 - Dr. Harold Vinegar, IEI
 - Tali Ysia, Teacher
- at the home of Jana and Simon Falic
- 10:30 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

Wednesday, August 14, 2013

- 7:00 AM Breakfast on own
- at the hotel, Main Terrace
- 8:00 AM OPTIONAL:
Depart hotel for tour of the Garden of Gethsemane

9:45 AM	<i>View from the Prime Minister's Office</i> Meeting with Ron Dermer Ambassador designate to the U.S. - at the hotel, Jaffa Hall
11:00 AM	Depart for Tour of the Israel Museum or the Via Delarosa
1:00 PM	Depart for hotel
1:45 PM	Press Conference - at the hotel, Jaffa Hall
1:45 PM	Lunch on own - at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall
2:45 PM	Depart for Tel Aviv
4:15 PM	<i>Israel's Strategic Environment – A Bird's Eye View</i> 360° View of the State of Israel from atop the Azrieli tower
5:00 PM	<i>View from the Ministry of Defense</i> Meeting with the Hon. Moshe Ya'alon Minister of Defense - at the City Center Crown Plaza Hotel, 11th Floor
6:15 PM	Depart for dinner
7:00 PM	<i>U.S. Middle East Policy</i> Meeting with the Hon. Daniel Shapiro U.S. Ambassador to Israel - at RiverSide
8:00 PM	<i>Start-Up Nation</i> Panel and dinner with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inbal Arieli, Gammando • Dr. Amit Goffer, Argo Medical Tech. • Dita Kohl-Roman, Entrepreneur • Uri Rivner, BioCatch Moderated by Dan Senior - at RiverSide
10:00 PM	Depart for Jerusalem
11:00 PM	Overnight at the King David Hotel

Thursday, August 15, 2013

- 7:00 AM Breakfast is served
- at the hotel, Jaffa Hall
- Bring overnight bag, no check out
- 8:00 AM *The Israeli-Palestinian Peace Talks – The Palestinian Perspective*
Meeting with Dr. Saeb Erekat
Head of PLO Negotiation Department
- at the hotel, Jaffa Hall
- 9:30 AM Depart hotel
- 11:15 AM *Israel's Narrow Waistline*
Briefing at Alfei Menashe
- 12:00 PM Depart
- En route briefing:
*The Jezreel Valley – Traditional Land Bridge between Africa and Asia:
Strategic Lessons for Today*
- 1:30 PM *The Iron Dome and the Future of Missile Defense*
Lunch and strategic briefing with Ari Sacher
Project Manager, Rafael Industries
- at Kimmel BaGilboa Restaurant
- 3:00 PM Depart
- 5:00 PM *Strategic tour of Israel's Northern Borders*
Bashar Assad and Al Qaeda Next Door
Briefing at Israel's border with Syria
with Maj. Jonathan Conricus
IDF Golan Heights Division
- at Mt. Bental Lookout
- 6:00 PM Depart for Tiberias
- 6:45 PM Check in to the Galei Kinneret Hotel
- 7:45 PM Depart for dinner
- 8:00 PM Dinner
- at Decks
- 10:00 PM Overnight at Galei Kinneret Hotel

Friday, August 16, 2013

- 6:00 AM Breakfast on own
 - at the hotel
- Check out
- 7:00 AM Depart for Jerusalem
 En route briefing:
 The Hashemite Kingdom Today: Strategic survey of Israel's border with Jordan, including a stop at the Jordan River
- 10:30 AM Meeting with the Honorable Binyamin Netanyahu
 Prime Minister
 - at Prime Minister's Office
- 11:45 AM Depart for hotel
- 12:00 PM Depart for the Dead Sea and Masada
- En route briefing:
 *Making the Desert Bloom:
 Israel's Experience in Eco-Agriculture in Arid Areas*
- Lunch boxes on the bus
- 2:30 PM Exploration of the Dead Sea region
- 4:00 PM Depart
- 4:30 PM *Geopolitics of the Roman Empire – Lessons for Today*
 Tour of Masada National Archaeological Park
- 6:30 PM Return to hotel
- 7:45 PM Depart for dinner
- 8:00 PM *Reflections on the Sabbath in Jerusalem*
 Traditional Sabbath Eve dinner hosted by
 Jerusalem families
- Rivka and Martin Rapaport
 - Debbie and Barry Eisenberg
 - Micah Goodman
- at their homes in Jerusalem
- 10:00 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

Saturday, August 17, 2013

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| 7:00 AM | Breakfast on own
- at the hotel, Main Dining Room |
| 8:30 AM | Depart for Sea of Galilee |
| 10:00 AM | <i>Survey of historical sites around the Sea of Galilee</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mount of Beatitudes• Capernaum• Church of the Primacy of Peter |
| 12:45 PM | Depart |
| 1:30 PM | Lunch
- at Ktze HaNachal |
| 2:30 PM | Depart for Jerusalem |
| 4:30 PM | Return to hotel
Check out |
| 5:30 PM | <i>Life under the Threat of Kassam Rockets</i>
Meeting with Chen Abrahams and Eeki Elner
Residents of Sderot area
- at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall |
| 6:00 PM | <i>Bringing it All Together: The U.S.-Israel Relationship</i>
Closing dinner
- at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall |
| 8:00 PM | Depart for the airport |
| 11:10 PM | United flight departs Tel Aviv |

Sunday, August 18, 2013

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| 12:40 AM | Delta flight departs Tel Aviv |
| 4:20 AM | United flight arrives at Newark |
| 5:25 AM | Delta flight arrives at JFK |
| Morning | Members of Congress travel to various cities from JFK or Newark |

American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
Educational Seminar in Israel
U.S. Republican Members of Congress
August 10 – 18, 2013

Itinerary

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2013

Afternoon Members of Congress travel to JFK or Newark from various cities

10:45 PM United flight to Tel Aviv departs from Newark

11:50 PM Delta flight to Tel Aviv departs from JFK

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2013

Ben-Gurion Airport – Jerusalem

4:20 PM United flight arrives

5:20 PM Delta flight arrives

Transfer to Jerusalem

Shalom Jerusalem: A first look at the Holy City from Mt. Scopus

Check in to the King David Hotel

7:00 PM *Setting the Stage*
Welcome and Orientation

7:45 PM *The Pulse of Israel Today*
Meeting with David Horovitz, Editor, *The Times of Israel*
-at the King David hotel

9:45 PM Dinner ends
Overnight at the King David Hotel

MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2013

Jerusalem

7:45 AM Breakfast served

8:00 AM *Understanding Israel's Political Mosaic*
Breakfast with Professor Reuven Hazan, The Hebrew University

9:15 AM *Neighborhood Overview: Strategic Threat Assessment*
Meeting with Maj.-Gen. (ret.) Amos Yadlin
Director, Israel's Institute for National Security Studies
and Former Chief of Israeli Defense Intelligence

10:15 AM Meeting ends

10:30 AM Depart for the Office of the Prime Minister
(Security check for non-Member participants)

11:30 AM Meeting with the Honorable Binyamin Netanyahu,
Prime Minister of the State of Israel,
and Maj. Gen. (res.) Yaacov Amidror,
Director, National Security Council

12:30 PM Depart

1:00 PM Lunch
-at Golden Panoramic

1:45 PM Depart for Strategic Tour of Jerusalem
Part One: *The Old City and the Holy Basin*
- City of David
- Southern Wall Excavations
- The Western Wall
- Church of the Holy Sepulchre
- Via Dolorosa

5:30 PM Survey ends, return to hotel

7:00 PM Depart for dinner

7:15 PM *Israel's Peace-making Efforts*
Dinner with Dr. Tal Becker,
Principal Deputy Legal Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

9:45 PM Dinner ends
Overnight at the King David Hotel

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2013
Jerusalem

7:45 AM Breakfast on own at the hotel

8:30 AM Depart for the *Yad Vashem* Holocaust Memorial and Educational Center

9:00 AM *Remembering the Victims of the Holocaust*
Guided tour of *Yad Vashem*

11:15 AM Depart for Strategic Tour of Jerusalem
Part Two: *Outlying Neighborhoods*
Guided by Ambassador Dore Gold
Director, Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs and former Israel's UN Ambassador

1:00 PM Return to hotel
Lunch

5:00 PM Depart for the Residence of the President

6:00 PM Reception with the Honorable Shimon Peres
President of the state of Israel
- Special Address by Mr. Peres
- Response by Mr. Cantor

7:00 PM Depart for dinner

7:30 PM *The Israeli Mosaic*
Dinner at the Home of Simon and Jana Falic
Welcoming Remarks by the Honorable Nir Barkat, Mayor of Jerusalem
Dinner with Israelis from different walks of life
- at the Falic's home in Jerusalem

9:30 PM Dinner ends
Overnight at the King David Hotel

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2013

Jerusalem – Ramallah – Bethlehem – Tel Aviv

7:00 AM Breakfast on own at the hotel

8:00 AM Depart for Ramallah

9:00 AM Meeting with the Honorable Mahmoud Abbas
President, Palestinian Authority

10:00 AM Depart for Bethlehem

12:00 PM	Visit to Bethlehem - Church of the Nativity - Manger Square - Milk Grotto - Lunch
1:30 PM	Lunch -at Abu Issa
2:30 PM	Depart for Tel Aviv
4:00 PM	<i>Israel's Narrow Waistline</i> 360 view of Israel from atop the Azrieli tower
4:45 PM	Depart for Ministry of Defense and security check
5:30 PM	<i>View from the Ministry of Defense</i> Meeting with the Hon. Moshe "Bogie" Ya'alon Minister of Defense - at Ministry of Defense
6:30 PM	Depart for Old Jaffa
7:00 PM	Greetings by the Honorable Dan Shapiro United States Ambassador
7:30 PM	<i>Start-Up Nation</i> Dinner with Israel's innovators - at Andromeda
9:00 PM	Dinner ends Return to Jerusalem Overnight at the King David

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2013

Tel Aviv – Border with Lebanon – Sea of Galilee

6:30 AM	Optional Mass at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre
7:30 AM	Breakfast on own at the hotel BRING OVERNIGHT BAG / NO CHECK OUT
8:15 AM	Depart

10:00 AM *Future Israel – Palestinian Authority Borders*
Strategic briefing at the Alfei Menashe overlook

11:00 AM Depart, travel north
En route briefing:
The Jezreel Valley – Traditional Land Bridge between Africa and Asia:
Strategic Lessons for Today

12:30 PM *The Iron Dome and the Future of Missile Defense*
Lunch and strategic briefing with Dr. Ari Sacher
Project Manager, Rafael Industries

2:00 PM Depart

3:30 PM *Northern Exposure*
Strategic tour of Israel's northern borders
Part One: *Hizballah Next Door*
Briefing at Israel's border with Lebanon

4:30 PM Depart for Tiberias

5:30 PM Check in at the Galei Kineret Hotel

7:45 PM Depart for dinner

8:00 PM Dinner at Decks

9:30 PM Dinner ends
Overnight at the Galei Kineret Hotel

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 2013

Sea of Galilee – Golan Heights – Jordan Valley – Jerusalem

7:30 AM Breakfast on own at the hotel
CHECK OUT

8:30 AM Depart for survey of historical sites around the Sea of Galilee
- Mount of Beatitudes
- Capernaum
- Church of the Primacy of Peter

11:00 AM Depart, travel up to the Golan Heights

- 12:00 PM Strategic tour of Israel's northern borders
Part Two: *Bashar Assad and Al Qaeda Next Door*
Briefing with Maj. Jonathan Conricus
IDF Golan Heights Division
- 1:30 PM Lunch
-at Gilli's
- 2:45 PM Depart for Jerusalem
En route briefing: *The Hashemite Kingdom Today*
Strategic survey of Israel's border with Jordan
- 5:30 PM Return to King David Hotel
- 6:30 PM Depart for the Old City
- 6:45 PM *Welcoming the Sabbath at the Western Wall*
- 7:30 PM *Reflection on the Sabbath in Jerusalem*
Sabbath Eve dinner with Professor Gil Troy
-at the hotel
- 9:30 PM Dinner ends
Overnight at the King David Hotel

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2013

Jerusalem – Masada & Dead Sea – Jerusalem – Ben-Gurion Airport

- 7:00 AM Breakfast on own at the hotel
- 7:30 AM Depart for Masada and Dead Sea
En route briefing: *Making the Desert Bloom –*
Israel's Experience in Eco-Agriculture in Arid Areas
- 9:30 AM *Geopolitics of the Roman Empire – Lessons for Today*
Tour of Masada National Archaeological Park
- 12:00 PM Lunch
- at Hod Hotel
- 12:30 PM *Exploration of the Dead Sea region*
- 2:30 PM Depart, return to Jerusalem
- 5:00 PM Check out

6:00 PM *Bringing it All Together: The U.S.-Israel Relationship*
Closing dinner
- at the King David Hotel

8:00 PM Depart for the airport

11:10 PM United flight departs

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2013

12:40 AM Delta flight departs

4:20 AM United flight arrives at Newark

5:25 AM Delta flight arrives at JFK

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